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*Construction of a dam at the junction of the Tungabhadra and Kistna rivers.*

\* 1621 Q.—Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state with reference to the answer to question No. 606 answered on 18th October 1927 regarding construction of a dam at the junction of the Tungabhadra and Kistna rivers;

(a) whether the recommendation made by the Ceded Districts Irrigation Committee (Arokiaswami Committee) that Konda Prakutur in the Nandikotkur taluk will make a proper substitute for Sangameswaram has been considered by the Government;

(b) what the advice given to the Government in the matter is, and

(c) whether action will be taken in the direction suggested by the Arokiaswami Committee in the matter?

A.—(a) Yes.

- (b) & (c) The Committee placed the proposal as No. 9 in the order of works recommended in connexion with the general scheme for storage on the Tungabhadra and Kistna rivers; and the Government propose to postpone further examination of it until they have come to some decision on the proposal to build a reservoir at Timmalapuram.

*Allotment for silt clearance of major irrigation channels.*

\* 1622 Q.—SYED TAJUDIN SAHIB Bahadur: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased—

(a) to lay on the table G.O. No. 513 I., dated 21st December 1909, and G.O. No. 514 I., dated 21st December 1909; and

(b) to state why Government have not till now allotted any amount in the budget for the long silt clearance and maintenance of all the major irrigation drainage channels mentioned in pages 19 to 25 of G.O. No. 351 I., dated 19th June 1913?

A.—(a) A copy of G.O. No. 513 I., dated 21st December 1909, is laid on the table. G.O. No. 514 I., dated 21st December 1909, is confidential.

(b) Expenditure on silt clearance is incurred against the annual lump allotment for 'Maintenance and repairs.'

*Construction of a lock at Yanamalakuduru.*

\* 1623 Q.—The ZAMINDAR OF GOLLAPALLI: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state when Government propose to construct—

- (1) the lock at Yanamalakuduru fourth mile Bandar canal;
- (2) a channel up to Valluripalem and embank it; and
- (3) a drainage channel to Aga Kodu and taking it up to Bandar canal again?

A.—(1) There is already a lock near Yanamalakuduru village at 4 miles 5 furlongs of the Bandar canal at the head of the East Bank canal. No new lock is necessary here.

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- (2) There is already a canal called the East Bank canal running down to Valluripalem and it is embanked on both sides.
- (3) There is already a drainage channel to the Aga Kodu, falling into the Bandar canal at 16 miles  $7\frac{1}{2}$  furlongs through the super-passage over the west side channel.

*Construction of the East Bank canal after Valluripalem.*

\* 1624 Q.—The ZAMINDAR OF GOLLAPALLI: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) what are the reasons that actuated the Government to stop the construction of the East Bank canal after Valluripalem; and

(b) whether they propose to take up the further work of the East Bank canal after Valluripalem this year and provide the expenditure in the coming budget?

A.—(a) The extension of the canal was given up in the eighties of the last century because the part already excavated was not used and it was considered inadvisable to open it till the river margin had grown considerably.

(b) A special establishment has been sanctioned to take levels necessary for the preparation of estimates for extending the canal.

The ZAMINDAR OF GOLLAPALLI:—“With reference to (b), when does the establishment commence its work, Sir?”

The hon. Sir C. P. RAMASWAMI AYYAR:—“Notice, Sir.”

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*Report of the Estates Land Act Committee.*

\* 1625 Q.—Mr. R. NAGAN GOWDA: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received the report of the Estates Land Act Committee appointed in 1924;

(b) if not, what the delay is due to;

(c) whether they propose to introduce the amending Bill in this session; and

(d) if not, when they propose to introduce this amending Bill?

A.—(a) & (b) The report is still awaited. The sub-committee have not completed the drafting of the amended Bill. After this is done the Committee has to meet, approve the Bill and draft their report.

(c) It does not appear to be possible to introduce the Bill during the current session.

(d) The Bill may possibly be introduced at the end of the year.

Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR:—“Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state whether the sub-committee have completed their deliberations and whether the only work remaining to be done is the drafting of the Bill?”